

## WRHS '61' 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion Committee Meeting – May 1, 2011 @ 1:00 p.m.

Attendees: Jerry and Joyce (Albritten) Popiel, Byron and Judy (Gibson) Cook, Jeanne (Cowles) Koss, Bob Potter, Barbara (Evans) Drake, Janine (Fredrickson) Townsend, Joyce (Gray) Breheny, Bob Mascarello, Sharon (Squire) Evridge, Kathy (Tirsway) Mazone, Sharon (Crabb) Richardson, Mary (Zimbeck) Taylor, Dan & Coke Burdick, Carol (Meyers) Walker, and Gloria (Vallery) McConnell.

### Meeting Minutes:

The minutes of the March 27, 2011, meeting were read and accepted as read.

### Treasurer's Report:

Byron reported that there is \$4,644.92 in the main account and \$100.00 in the new Well's Fargo account. He advised that all monies for the reunion must be submitted to Judy (Morse) Chiappone in California. She will tally and deposit all monies into the Wells Fargo account in Florida and Byron will transfer it into the class account in Colorado. Motions were made and seconded and it was voted to accept the treasurer's report.

### Items of Discussion:

- Graduate Search and Reservations: Bob Potter reported that he had contacted Judy and the search was complete, and reservations were coming in. Sharon (Crabb) Richardson reported that 165 emails were sent; 112 were opened; 65 registered and 20 guests were tallied. There were 4 that have declined; Cathy Sweeney, Ron Hess, Kay Spangler, and Don Leho. Sharon will send 2<sup>nd</sup> emails to all those parties that didn't open their first email, and also to those who opened it, but have not responded to date. They decided not to set up a Pay-pall account as there was an extra cost to do so. Payment must be made by check or money order payable to the: Wheat Ridge Class of 61 Reunion Fund, c/o Judie Chiappone, 183 Largo Drive, Poinciana, FL 34759. The memory bios need to be to Judy by May 15, 2011, and the \$\$\$ soon after.
- Memory Books: Dan and Coke Burdick brought a sample of the Memory Book. Pictures you want included in the memory book will need to be sent on "High Resolution" for the best printing quality. It was motioned and seconded to reimburse the Burdicks for ½ the cost of the binding machine to bind the books. Motions were made and seconded and it was a unanimous vote to reimburse them.
- Friday night mixer: Bob Mascarello advised us that there is serious liability in holding a mixer with alcohol involved in a private residence, he has located the American Legion at 6230 West 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue that can provide a large room from 6:00 to 9:00 for \$315. They have an open bar, the drinks are inexpensive, and we can bring party trays for snacks. Motions were made and seconded and it was a unanimous vote to use this facility for our mixer.
- Banquet Venue: The selected venue for the banquet on August 13, 2011, is the Pinehurst Country Club. Arrival will be at 5:30 PM, with dinner service beginning at 7:00 PM. The band will begin at 9:00 PM.
- Food: For the cocktail hour, there will be a wandering service of Hor D'oeuvres, and three cash bars available for drinks. The dinner estimate for 160 guests will be \$7985. This price includes the dinner, tax and tip. Joyce Popiel said an example was a cost of \$35 (for the food) that would include three stations. This meal was for Chicken Breast Piñata, Salmon with Dill, and Grilled Flank Steak. It would include Wild Rice, Haricot Verts Almondine, Granny Smith Apple Salad, Salad Greens with a house Caesar, Rolls and Butter, Coffee, Tea and Lemonade, Cookies or Brownies.
- Entertainment: Bob Mascarello has located a band for the dance following the banquet. It is a 4-piece band, and the cost will be \$310 for three hours. They play a variety of music, including the oldies, country, and newer selections. Motions were made and seconded and it was a unanimous vote to hire this band.
- Decorations: Joyce Breheny and Kathy Mazone described the centerpieces they would like to make. They will be sheaves of wheat and tied up in the middle to stand in the center of the table. The large door that was available for the graduates to sign at the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion, will be available again for those who did not attend the 40<sup>th</sup> reunion in 2001, to have the opportunity to sign it at this 50<sup>th</sup> reunion.

- Photos: Judy Chiappone will be the photographer for the reunion and will be taking pictures throughout the activities.
- Memorial: Sharon Evridge and Dennis and Gloria McConnell will get the balloons and helium for the memorial and will release the balloons at the picnic on Sunday.
- Catered Picnic: Joyce Popiel located Big Papa's BBQ for the picnic on Sunday. The cost will be \$11.25 per person, including tax and tip. There will be a choice of Hickory Smoked Beef Brisket, Turkey Breast and Hot Link Sausage, with a choice of four BBQ sauces. The sides are Potato Salad, BBQ Beans, and Cole Slaw. Also served will be Pickles, Pepperocinis, Cherry Peppers, and Bread. The price includes utensils, plates and napkins; delivery, set-up, service, and clean up. No drinks or desserts will be included in the price. Motions were made and seconded and it was a unanimous vote to have Big Papa's BBQ cater our picnic.

The next committee meeting will be held at Sharon (Crabb) Richardson's home on June 26, 2011, at 1:00 pm. Her address is 14115 West 59<sup>th</sup> Place in Arvada.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gloria (Vallery) McConnell